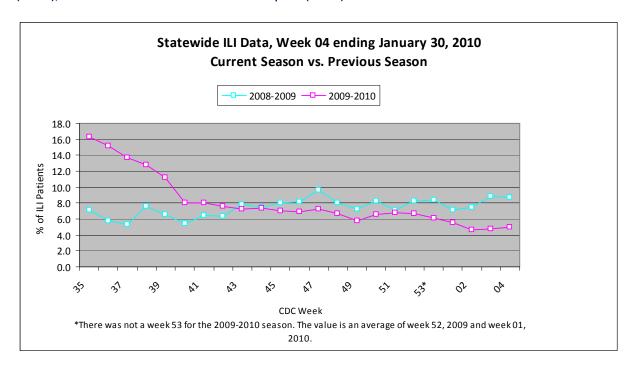
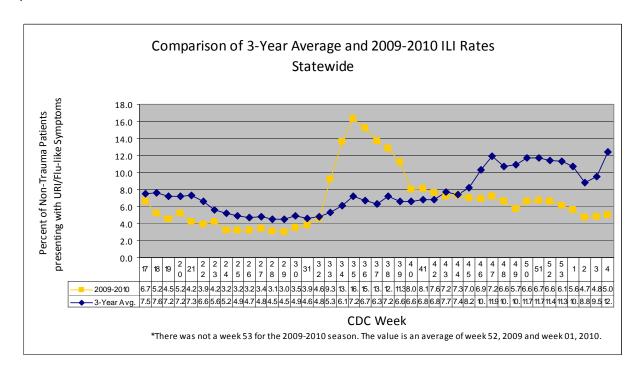
For week 04 (01/24/10- 01/30/10), the overall state ILI rate (5.0%) was comparable to last week (4.8%), but was lower than this time last year (8.8%).



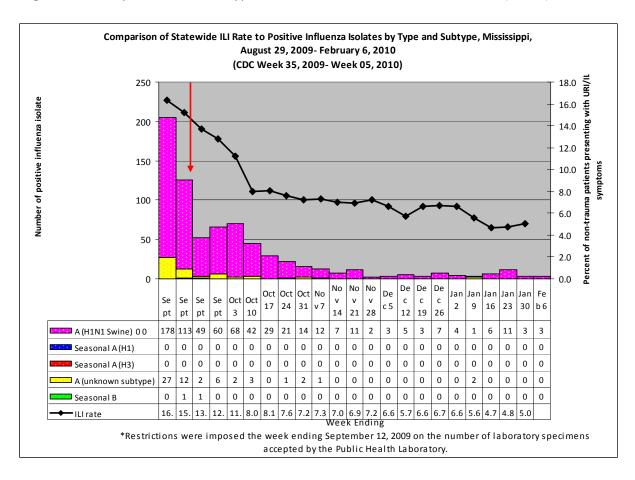
The 2009-10 state ILI rate was below baseline for week 04 and has been below baseline for the past three months.



During week 04, three districts (1, 2, and 8) had a decrease in ILI activity, two districts (3 and 4) had an increase, and four remained about the same (5, 6, 7, and 9).

Since August 29th, there have been a total of 23 reported flu deaths, 12 that were confirmed H1N1. The two most recent flu deaths both occurred in DeSoto County in late January.

Below is a comparison of the state ILI rate to the number of positive influenza isolates since August 29th. The predominant flu type identified continues to be novel H1N1 (swine) flu.

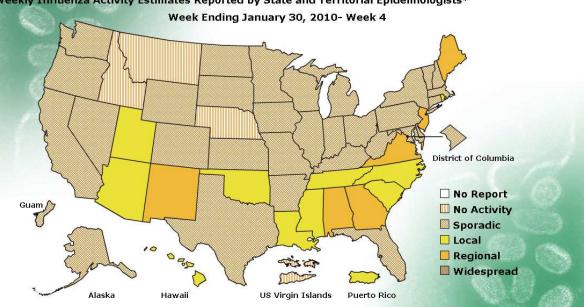


Mississippi reported "local" (Outbreaks of influenza or increases in ILI cases and recent laboratory-confirmed influenza in a single region of the state) activity for week **04**. For more information on flu activity nationwide, please refer to the CDC's website at: http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm.





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^{*}This map indicates geographic spread and does not measure the severity of influenza activity.